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TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS  
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FROM OPIC

E.O. 11652:N/A

TAGS: EFIN

SUBJECT: OPIC OFFICER TRAVEL

REF: STATE 310687

1. REQUEST CONCURRENCE VISIT BY MANAGER PROJECT FINANCE  
FOR AFRICA BONNY HENDERSON FOR THREE DAYS BEGINNING  
FEBRUARY 28. PURPOSE OF VISIT IS TO DISCUSS PROPOSED  
FINANCING AND RELATED TERMS OF PORT HARCOURT BULK HANDLING  
FACILITY BEING SPONSORED BY PHILIPP BROTHERS (U.S.). OPIC  
IS BEING ASKED TO CONSIDER DIRECT LOAN TO PROJECT IN CON-  
JUNCTION WITH NIGERIAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BANK, IFC,  
AND NIGERIAN BASED COMMERCIAL BANKS. HENDERSON WOULD  
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APPRECIATE EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN APPOINTMENT WITH G. G.  
SONEKAN, CONTROLLER OF NIDB. OTHERWISE APPOINTMENTS WITH  
PARTICIPANTS IN THE PROJECT INCLUDING U.S. COMMERCIAL BANKS,  
ACCOUNTING FIRMS AND LAWYERS WILL BE MADE DIRECTLY FROM  
WASHINGTON WITH ASSISTANCE OF PHILIPP BROTHERS. HENDERSON  
WOULD ALSO LIKE TO DISCUSS PROSPECTS FOR OPIC LONG TERM  
OFFSHORE FINANCING IN NIGERIA WITH EMBASSY. WILL FOLLOW

EMB RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO ADVISABILITY MEETINGS ON SUBJECT  
WITH MINISTRY OF FINANCE PEOPLE AT THIS EARLY STAGE.  
FINANCING COMMITMENT WOULD NOT BE MADE BEFORE AUGUST 1978.

2. HENDERSON WILL BE ARRIVING IN LAGOS FROM CAMEROON AND  
PROCEEDING ON TO IVORY COAST. U.S. INVESTOR REPRESENTA-  
TIVE GEORGE COOPER WILL BE IN LAGOS DURING PART OF  
HENDERSON'S STAY AND HAS ARRANGED HOTEL RESERVATIONS  
AT EKO HOTEL THROUGH NIGERIAN PARTNER.

3. HENDERSON HOLDS CONFIRMED PLANE RESERVATIONS ON  
UY 704 ARRIVING LAGOS 1140 A.M. 2/28. WOULD APPRECIATE  
BEING MET AT AIRPORT BY EMBASSY DRIVER. WILL CHECK IN  
WITH EMBASSY ON AFTERNOON OF FEBRUARY 28 TO DISCUSS POS-  
SIBLE TIMING OF VISITS TO NIDB AND OTHERS IF APPROPRIATE.

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